hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service with sufficient postage, as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on \_\_25 October 2006

The

eannie Camara	
Typed or Printed Name of Person Transmitting Paper or Fee)	

polytre of Person Mailing Paper or Fee)

OCT 9.7 2006 W

PATENT APPLICATION Attorney Docket No. PARC-DA3162Q

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

)
) Examiner: Nguyen, Khai Minh
) Group Art Unit: 2617
)
) )
) )

## AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Mail Stop: Amendment

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** 

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In connection with the above-referenced U. S. patent application, transmitted herewith are the following papers:

- [x] Response under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 to official action mailed 2 August 2006.
- [] A petition for extension of time is also enclosed with a fee of \$55.00 for a onemonth extension for a small entity.
- [] Terminal disclaimer under 37 C.F. R. § 1.321(c), including
  - [] check for \$130.00 fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d), and
  - [] 2 certificates under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b).
- [] Information disclosure statement, form 1449 and \_\_\_ references.
- [x] No additional claims fees are required.

[] An additional fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

AMENDED CLAIMS							
	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST NO. OF CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	ADDT'L FEE		
Total Claims		MINUS = 20	0	x \$50 =			
Independent Claims		MINUS = 3	0	x \$200 =			
If Amendment adds mult							
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Amendment Fee  TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$0.00		

[]	A check in	the amount	of \$	is enclosed.
----	------------	------------	-------	--------------

Edward J. Grundler Park, Vaughan & Fleming LLP 2820 Fifth Street Davis, CA 95618-7759

Tel: (530) 759-1663 Fax: (530) 759-1665

Email: edward@parklegal.com

Respectfully submitted,

By

Edward J. Grundler Registration No. 47,615

Date: 25 October 2006

<sup>[]</sup> Charge \$\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. \_\_\_ (Docket No. \_\_\_).

Please deduct any <u>underpayments</u>, credit any <u>overpayments</u>, and charge all required <u>extension of time fees</u> to Deposit Account Number 50-1003. (Docket No. PARC-DA3162Q).



I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, PO Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on \_\_\_\_\_\_25 October 2006

(Typed or Printed Name of Person Mailing Paper or Fee)

(Signature of Person Mailing Paper or Fee)

Application Number: 10/656,551

Confirmation Number: 8170

Applicant

: Diana K. Smetters et al.

Filed

: 5 September 2003

TC/A.U.

: 2617

Examiner

: Nguyen, Khai Minh

Docket Number

: PARC-DA3162Q

Customer No.

: 35,699

M/S: Box Amendment Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria VA 22313-1450

## **AMENDMENT**

Sir

In response to the office action of 2 August 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.